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**Results** of a recent survey are contained in this release. You can also find it on our site at [www.nass.usda.gov/pa/](http://www.nass.usda.gov/pa/) and click on the Pennsylvania Publications link.

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## Pennsylvania's 2008 Orchard & Vineyard Results Now Available

HARRISBURG, PA, Jul 28, 2010 -- Pennsylvania's 2008 Orchard and Vineyard Survey results are now available. The 94-page report contains information about the number of fruit trees and grapevines located in Pennsylvania, acreage by age and variety listed by county and state totals, rootstock information, and intentions for future plantings. The information is gathered from the Orchard and Vineyard Survey that is conducted every five years, with the most recent conducted in the late 2008 and early 2009.

This report was released to the Internet on May 14, 2010. For the 2008, 2002, and 1997 issues of the Pennsylvania Orchard and Vineyard report, click on "Publications & Releases" at <http://www.nass.usda.gov/pa/>.

The hard copies of the report will be available in September or October.

Below is a sample of the information found in the report.

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**Number of Commercial Orchards/Vineyards:** The number of commercial apple orchards counted in the 2008 survey was 566, compared with 364 in the 2002 survey, an increase of 55 percent. The number of commercial peach orchards totaled 322 in the 2008 survey, compared with 229 in the previous survey. A total of 92 commercial pear orchards were counted in 2008, compared with 83 in 2002. Commercial tart cherry orchards increased by 30 percent, from 40 in 2002 to 52 in 2008. The number of commercial vineyards totaled 358 in 2008, compared with 239 in 2002. Commercial nectarine orchards increased 25 percent, from 61 in 2002 to 76 in 2008.

**Trees in Commercial Orchards:** Commercial tree numbers for apples increased 31 percent from 2002; commercial peach tree numbers increased 48 percent; commercial pear tree numbers increased 41 percent; the number of commercial tart cherry trees increased 5 percent; and the number of commercial nectarine trees increased 16 percent from 2002.

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